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Memorandum

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TO: Members, House Law and Justice Committee
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DATE: May 21, 2018
SUBJECT: HB 5792

The Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board ("the Board") is a seven member Governor appointed Board charged with funding sexual assault and domestic violence services for victims and providing policy recommendations on the issues of domestic violence and sexual assault.

The Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board (the Board) supports the concept of the funding program created by HB 5792.

The Board in general supports legislation that assigns new funding or granting programs to the Board if those funding sources are consistent with the Board's mission to lead statewide efforts to eliminate domestic and sexual violence the proposed funding structure is consistent with the Board current grantmaking/funding and monitoring practices.

Thank you for your attention to these important matters. Please note that the Board's position and rationale is solely that of the Board and does not represent the views of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services or any other body. Although the Board is administratively housed within MDHHS, it is an independent, legislatively-created body with members appointed by the Governor. (See MCL 400.1502.)